

Tony Hill Room, Civic Auditorium
307 Church Street
Santa Cruz, California 95060



APPROVED MINUTES OF COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON HOMELESSNESS
(CACH) MEETING
Regular Meeting
Feb. 4, 2020

6:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING – TONY HILL ROOM, CIVIC AUDITORIUM

Community Advisory Committee on Homelessness (CACH) Agenda
Feb. 4, 2020
6:00 pm

- I. **Call to Order Roll Call (6:00 pm)** – Committee Members present: Stoney Brook, Ami Chen Mills-Naim, Candice Elliott, Serg Kagno, Don Lane, Taj Leahy, Evan Morrison, Brooke Newman, Aran Nichol, Stina Roach*, Alie Soares, Rafael Sonnenfeld and Dwaine Tait

*Ms. Roach left the meeting at 7:32 pm bringing the total possible voting members for the day down to 12

- II. **Minutes from Jan. 21st CACH Meeting (6:01 pm)**

Mr. Lane moved to approve

Seconded by Mr. Tait

Minutes approved by consensus

- III. **Appointment of CACH Member (6:03 pm)**

The CACH did not expand the membership at this time due to the fact that none of the nominees received the minimum 2/3rd vote total.

Mr. Lane moved:

the CACH recognizes there were a large number of qualified applicants but choose not to expand the CACH at this time, but reserves the right to expand the membership at another time.

Seconded by Mr. Kagno

Motion approved by consensus

IV. Midterm Policy Report - Process and Content (6:23 pm)

Mr. Kagno moved:

To request that the Safe Sleeping sub-committee to allowed to present directly to the City Council.

Seconded by Mr. Sonnenfeld

Move to table until after Agenda Item V by Mr. Leahy

Motion tabled

V. Oral Report from CACH Subcommittees and CACH Action on Midterm Policy Report (6:39 pm)

Public Engagement Sub-Committee (6:39 pm)

Ms. Chen Mills-Naim moved:

The Santa Cruz City Council launch a pilot of the Wisdom Council process around the issue of homelessness in both the City and County.
Cost: up to \$10,000

Seconded by Mr. Lane

Mr. Brook offered a friendly motion to amend. Ms. Chen Mills-Naim did not accept friendly motion.

Motion was not voted on as a substitute motion was approve/seconded by Ms. Chen Mills-Naim

Mr. Brook offered a substitute motion:

The CACH recommends the City Council consider use of the Wisdom Council model to assist in building community dialogue. While the model may not directly resolve the concerns related to homelessness, it may be useful in creating a stronger and more collaborative understanding of our mutual desires for a safer, dynamic and healthy community where everyone is respected and supported.

Motion seconded

Motion failed by vote (4 opposed, 4 in favor)

Mr. Lane made a motion to amend the Ms. Chen Mills-Naim's original motion to include Mr. Brook's motion as follows:

The Santa Cruz City Council launch a pilot of the Wisdom Council process around the issue of homelessness in both the City and County (at a cost of up to \$10,000). If the Council chooses not to move forward with a pilot wisdom council aimed at homelessness, then the CACH recommends the City Council consider use of the Wisdom Council model to assist in building community dialogue. While the model may not directly resolve the concerns related to homelessness, it may be useful in creating a stronger and more collaborative understanding of our mutual desires for a safer, dynamic and healthy community where everyone is respected and supported.

Seconded by Ms. Chen Mills-Naim

Mr. Morrison made a friendly amendment, approved by Ms. Chen Mills-Naim and Mr. Lane

Motion failed by a vote (6 opposed, 5 in favor)

Ms. Chen Mills-Naim moved:

The City engage in a *pro-active* process around community engagement, before Council decisions around location and safe sleeping sites are made. That the Council budget an adequate portion of staff time to coordinate community outreach and engagement. We recommend allocating up to \$10,000 toward public engagement services via a private contractor or consultant, if the time commitment exceeds what can be done by city staff.

Seconded by Ms. Nichol

Mr. Brook, Mr. Lane and Mr. Kagno made friendly amendments approved by Ms. Chen Mills-Naim

Motion approved by consensus

Safe Sleep Sub-Committee (7:43 pm)

Mr. Brook moved:

The CACH recommends that the Council not adopt the proposed camping ordinance as drafted on Nov. 26th. The CACH has prepared a draft of detailed recommendation for consideration. The CACH asks that these recommendation be collaboratively discussed with the CACH and with the new Homeless Coordinator, City Manager, City Attorney, City law enforcement to develop a comprehensive camping ordinance and standard operating procedures for implementation.

Seconded by Mr. Morrison

Mr. Kagno and Ms. Nichol made friendly amendments, approved by Mr. Brook

Motion was not voted on as the substitute motion was passed

Ms. Elliott offered a substitute motion:

The CACH recommends the City Council:

- not implement the Camping Ordinance until the establishment of safe sleeping location(s) authorized by the City;
- prioritize outreach over enforcement;
- increase the overnight camping vehicle parking allocation at churches and business up to 5; and
- allow the CACH additional time to review the camping ordinance and make recommendations.

Seconded by Ms. Newman

Mr. Kagno made a friendly amendment, approved by Ms. Elliott

Ms. Newman made a friendly amendment to remove Mr. Kagno's amendments, approved by Ms. Elliott

Motion accepted by consensus

Mr. Kagno moved:

To have the Safe Sleeping sub-committee present directly to the City Council.

Seconded by Mr. Sonnenfeld

Motion failed by a vote (7 opposed, 3 in favor)

Public Health Sub-Committee (9:45 pm)

Ms. Chen Mills-Naim made a motion for reconsideration

The CACH recommends the City Council consider use of the Wisdom Council model to assist in building community dialogue. While the model may not directly resolve all concerns related to homelessness, we believe it may be useful in creating a stronger and more collaborative understanding of our mutual desires for a safer, dynamic and healthy community where everyone is respected and supported.

Seconded by Mr. Leahy

Motion approved by vote (8 supported, 3 opposed)*

*This motion was originally believed to have failed due to not receiving a 2/3rd vote. But after consideration of this body's bylaws, the motion passed as it received 2/3rd of those present at the time of the vote.

VI. Oral communications (9:52 pm)

VII. Adjournment (9:55 pm)
Approved by consensus